



RESPONSE DUE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE **GROUP ART UNIT 2812** 

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of

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For:

METHOD OF FABRICATING A GATE DIELECTRIC LAYER FOR A THIN FILM

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## AMENDMENT/SUBMISSION

This is a response to the Office Action mailed January 24, 2003 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested. FEE CALCULATION Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows: If checked, "Small Entity" status is claimed. HIGHEST NO. NO. CLAIMS ADDIT. **PREVIOUSLY AFTER** PAID FOR AMENDMENT (\$9 SE or \$18) **MINUS** TOTAL (\$42 SE or \$84) MINUS FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (\$140 SE or \$280) TOTAL \$ -0-\* not less than 20 \*\* not less than 3

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## **AMENDMENTS**

- 1. \_\_\_ If checked, an abstract (an amended abstract) is submitted herewith.
- 2. \_\_ If checked, amendment(s) to the drawings are submitted herewith.
- 3. \_\_\_ If checked, amendment(s) to the specification are submitted herewith.
- 4.  $\sqrt{\phantom{a}}$  If checked, amendment(s) to the claims are submitted herewith.